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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1734

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Masakazu Hirose et al.
Serial No.: 10/597,366 Art Unit: 1734
File Date: July 21, 2006
Title: PIEZOELECTRIC CERAMIC COMPOSITION
Examiner: Matthew E. Hoban
Confirmation No.: 9931
Docket No.: OBA-40858

AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.116

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Sir:

The three-month period for responding to the Office action of August 17, 2011 expired on November 17, 2011. Applicants respectfully request and petition that the response period be extended by one-month until December 17, 2011. The surcharge fee for the extension of time is paid at the time of this electronic submission.

This amendment is in further responsive to the Office action dated August 17, 2011, and the Advisory Action dated December 2, 2011.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.